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Application Number	10/008,781	Filed November 13, 2001
For	<b>APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR POSITIVE CLOSURE OF AN INTERNAL TISSUE MEMBRANE OPENING</b>	
Art Unit	3731	Examiner Woo

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